Mr. V. D. Ouseph.—Is its confidential nature entirely removed?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—Not yet.

Mr. V. D. Ouseph.— Have copies been given to the Papers?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—Yes.

Mr. V. D. Ouseph.—Is it kept confidential even now?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—It is kept confidential.

Mr. V. D. Ouseph.—It is kept confidential only from the public except to the House and the Press! Suppose they are going to publish the same.

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—I have no objection.

Mr. V. D. Ouseph.—I want to know whether it is a public document now?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—If it was published, its confidential nature has passed away.

Mr. V. D. Ouseph.— Is it confidential to the entire public?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—Yes, I must say.

Mr. V. D. Ouseph.—When?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.— After it was issued to the Press correspondents.

Mr. V. D. Ouseph.—May I know when it was issued to the Press correspondents?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—It was issued to the Press yesterday or day before yesterday.

Mr. V. D. Ouseph.—Or to-day.

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.— It was issued to the Press correspondents day before yesterday.

Unauthorised putting up of bunds.

57. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether in any of the *chals* referred to in Appendix A of the Proceedings of the Diwan of Cochin, Dis. 177/R/1102, dated 1st June 1927, any bund was put up; if so, which are these and who gave permission for the same;

(b) a list of *chals* referred to in Appendix B of the same Proceedings for which permission for bunding up was granted and the date of sanction for each of the same;

(c) whether a bund was put up at Survey No. 171 Pullazhi village; if so how does it affect the neighbouring lands and when was permission given for the same?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—(a) Yes. A list of such *chals* is placed on the Table. (*Vide Appendix I.*) Government have not accorded permission.

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(b) A list is placed on the Table. (*Vide Appendix II.*)

(c) No bund has been put up as yet, though permission was accorded on 15th Thulam 1103.

Kizhakkummuri Panchayat.

58. Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—(a) Will the Government be pleased to state when the above Panchayat was constituted last;

(b) will the Government be pleased to state when the next reconstitution of the above Panchayat will take place; has the Government taken any steps preparatory to the election;

(c) will the Government be pleased to state whether there is any definite rules now in practice regarding the reconstitution of a Panchayat and the term of office of each Panchayat;

(d) will the Government be pleased to state whether the Government proposes to make any change in rules regarding the qualifications for one to become a Panchayat member?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—(a) In Karkadagam 1100.

(b) Early in Chingam 1104. Steps are being taken.

(c) The member is referred to section 7 of Regulation V of 1089 as amended by Regulation III of 1097. A Panchayat is reconstituted when the term of office of its members ceases.

(d) The matter is under consideration.

Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—The answer to the last part of the question is 'Matter is under consideration.' May I know under whose consideration; under the Government or under the Department.

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—Under the Government.

Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—How long has it been under the consideration of the Department—the reduction of the qualification of the Panchayat?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—Over a year.

Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—Over a year. Does it mean not less than two years?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—Less than two years and over a year.

Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—Has there been any recommendation by the Department; any definite proposal made by the Department to the Government in this matter?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—Proposals received from the several Panchayats have been submitted to the Government.

Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—Was any recommendation by the Department made on those reports when the same was sent to the Government?

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